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| GOYARTS, Gregorius M. H. |) | Group Art Unit: 1794 |
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| Serial No.: 10/551,781 |) | Examiner: Khatri, P. J. |
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| Filed: 5 October 2005 |) | |
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| For: WASHABLE UNDERPAD AND METHOD FOR |) | |
| PRODUCING AN UNDERPAD OF THIS TYPE |) | |

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT WITH
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The *Office Action*, marked *Final*, from Examiner Prashant J. Khatri of Art Unit 1794, dated 17 August 2010, has been received and carefully reviewed. In response thereto, Applicant hereby respectfully submits this *Response and Amendment with Request for Continued Examination* (herein “*Response and Amendment*”), with an express *Request for Continued Examination* under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

Applicant clarifies its arguments as to the patentable distinctions between the cited prior art and the present invention, and respectfully submits that the cited references neither teach nor suggest the present invention.